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Auditing Procedures Report

Issued under P.A.	2 of 1968, a	s amended a	nd P.A. 71 of 191	9, as amended.		
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Local Unit of Government Type					Local Unit Name	Lancar County
County	City	⊠Twp	□Village	Other	Metamora Township	Lapeer County
Fiscal Year End March 31, 2			Opinion Date May 21, 2	2008	Date Audit Report Submitted to St May 22, 2008	ate

We affirm that:

We are certified public accountants licensed to practice in Michigan.

We further affirm the following material, "no" responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (report of comments and recommendations).

- Check each applicable box below. (See instructions for further detail.)
- All required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the X 1. reporting entity notes to the financial statements as necessary.
- There are no accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets 2. × (P.A. 275 of 1980) or the local unit has not exceeded its budget for expenditures.
- The local unit is in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury. X 3
- The local unit has adopted a budget for all required funds. X 4.
- A public hearing on the budget was held in accordance with State statute. X 5
- The local unit has not violated the Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, or X 6 other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division.
- The local unit has not been delinquent in distributing tax revenues that were collected for another taxing unit. X 7
- The local unit only holds deposits/investments that comply with statutory requirements. X 8
- The local unit has no illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to our attention as defined in the Bulletin for X 9 Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin).
- There are no indications of defalcation, fraud or embezzlement, which came to our attention during the course of our audit X 10. that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division (LAFD). If there is such activity that has not been communicated, please submit a separate report under separate cover.
- The local unit is free of repeated comments from previous years. X 11
- The audit opinion is UNQUALIFIED. X 12
- The local unit has complied with GASB 34 or GASB 34 as modified by MCGAA Statement #7 and other generally X 13 accepted accounting principles (GAAP).
- The board or council approves all invoices prior to payment as required by charter or statute. X 14.
- To our knowledge, bank reconciliations that were reviewed were performed timely. 15. X

If a local unit of government (authorities and commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is not included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, please enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

I, the undersigned, certify that this statement is complete and accurate in all respects.

We have enclosed the following:	Enclosed	Not Required (enter a brief justification)						
Financial Statements	\boxtimes							
The letter of Comments and Recommendations	\boxtimes	Communication with Those Ch	vernance.					
Other (Describe)								
Certified Public Accountant (Firm Name) Lehn L. King, C.P.A.	Telephone Number 989-635-3113							
Street Address 3531 Main Street		City Marlette						
Authorizing CBA Signature	2.00	nted Name ehn L. King, C.P.A.	License A248	Number 3781				

Lapeer County, Michigan

Audited Financial Report March 31, 2008

Lehn L. King Certified Public Accountant Marlette, Michigan

Township of MetamoraAnnual Financial Report

Annual Financial Report For The Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2008

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Members of the Township Board **Metamora Township** Lapeer County, Michigan

Independent Auditor's Report

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Metamora, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township of Metamora, Michigan's management. My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that the audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinions.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Metamora, Michigan as of March 31, 2008 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, and the budgetary comparison schedules, as identified in the table of contents, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplemental information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management, regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplemental information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Metamora, Michigan's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplemental information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The other supplemental information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

As described in Note 1, the Township has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, and related statements, as of April 1, 2004.

Lehn L. King

Lehn King

Certified Public Accountant

May 21, 2008

Metamora, Michigan

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS LETTER

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of Metamora's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The Township is in a good financial position. As seen below, the General, Police, and Fire are all carrying a healthy fund balance.

However, care must be taken in future budgets because of potential cutbacks in State Shared Revenue and the escalating cost for providing local government services.

Using this Report

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No.34. GASB Statement 34 implements a new model of financial reporting for state and local governments designed to enhance the usefulness of the Township's annual report.

The Township as a Whole

The Township of Metamora's fund balances are as follows:

		March 31, 2007		
General Operating	\$	765,438	\$	784,405
Police Protection		944,236		836,208
Fire Protection		327,240		360,462
Building Fund		28,611		32,422
Total for Township	\$	2,065,525	\$	2,013,497

Metamora, Michigan

Governmental Activities

The Township of Metamora's Revenues and Expenditures can be summarized as follows:

	Gener	nd	Building Fund				
	March 31,				Ma	rch 31,	
	2008		2007	2008			2007
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	\$ 1,856,473	\$	1,689,951	\$	32,422	\$	23,274
Revenue Collected							
Property Taxes	1,198,082		1,136,879		-		-
Intergovernmental Revenue	252,978		250,886		-		-
Charges for Services	94,036		118,159		32,771		57,352
Loan / Grant Proceeds	304,852		8,230		-		-
Other	133,895		135,055		1,090		2,923
Transfers	-		-		-		-
Total Revenue Collected	 1,983,843	_	1,649,209		33,861		60,275
Expenditures							
General Government	476,911		476,059		-		-
Public Safety - Police	478,396		496,032		-		-
Public Safety - Fire	170,141		199,232		-		-
Public Safety - Other	40,360		35,542		37,671		51,127
Public Works	37,640		37,415		-		-
Capital Outlay	467,160		19,255		-		-
Debt Service	132,793		219,152		-		-
Transfers	-		-		-		-
Total Expenditures	1,803,401		1,482,687		37,671		51,127
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 2,036,915	\$	1,856,473	\$	28,612	\$	32,422

Metamora, Michigan

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

The Township of Metamora's 2008/2009 adopted budget is as follows:

	Gener	al Fund	Building Fund			
	Mar	rch 31,	Mar	ch 31,		
	2009	2008	2009	2008		
Revenue						
Property Taxes	1,136,129	1,073,396	-	-		
Intergovernmental Revenue	251,200	261,163	-	-		
Charges for Services	58,813	88,900	34,300	61,400		
Other	176,350	138,450	-	-		
Total Revenue Collected	1,622,492	1,561,909	34,300	61,400		
Expenditures						
General Government	633,625	538,275	-	-		
Public Safety - Police	587,689	557,166	-	-		
Public Safety - Fire	229,524	224,393	-	-		
Public Safety - Other	-	54,975	34,300	61,400		
Public Works	98,325	51,300	-	-		
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-		
Debt Service	61,350	135,800	-	-		
Transfers	-	-	-	-		
Total Expenditures	1,610,512	1,561,909	34,300	61,400		
Net Over/Under Budget	\$ 11,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		

Contacting the Township

This report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Township office at 730 West Dryden Road, Metamora, Michigan or by telephone at (810) 678-2237.

David Best Township of Metamora Supervisor

Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) March 31, 2008

	Primary
	Government
	Governmental
	Activities
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 891,566.11
Property Taxes Receivable	108,342.36
Prepaid Expenses	4,552.23
Due From Other Funds	1,099,618.66
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	1,651,517.26
Total Assets	3,755,596.62
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Accounts Payable	\$ 9,086.24
Deferred Revenue	29,467.00
Accrued Interest Payable	9,762.00
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	146,915.16
Long-Term Debt	507,858.99
Total Liabilities	703,089.39
Net Assets (Deficit)	
Invested in Capital Assets - Net of	
Related Debt	986,981.11
Restricted for Future Police Health Care	159,653.18
Restricted for Police Protection	784,582.81
Restricted for Fire Protection	327,240.42
Unrestricted	794,049.71
Total Net Assets (Deficit)	\$ 3,052,507.23

Township of MetamoraStatement of Activities

For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

				Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue & Changes in Net Assets			
					Op	erating		Capital	Pri	mary Government	
			(Charges for		Grants &		Grants &	Governmental		
		Expenses		Services	Cont	Contributions		ntributions		Activities	
Functions/Programs Primary Government: Governmental Activities: General Government Public Safety Public Works Interest on Long-Term Debt Total Governmental Activities	\$ 479,579.03 805,276.05 37,639.87 18,727.38 \$ 1,341,222.33		\$	72,040.71 61,101.97 - - 133,142.68	\$	- - - -	\$	4,851.94 - - 4,851.94	\$	(407,538.32) (739,322.14) (37,639.87) (18,727.38) (1,203,227.71)	
	Pr St G In O	ral Revenues: roperty Taxes ate Shared Revenue ain (Loss) on Sale of terest ther Revenues ransfers	f Fixed A	ssets al Revenues, Spe	cial Items	& Transfers			\$	1,198,082.44 252,978.00 (87,600.00) 66,699.44 31,949.40 - 1,462,109.28	
		ge in Net Assets	ginning o	f Year						258,881.57 2,793,625.66	
		ssets (Deficit) - En							\$	3,052,507.23	

Township of Metamora Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet March 31, 2008

		General Fund]	Building Fund		Totals Governmental Funds		
Assets								
Cash & Certificates of Deposit	\$	862,954.70	\$	28,611.41	\$	891,566.11		
Property Taxes Receivable		108,342.36		-		108,342.36		
Prepaid Expenses		4,552.23		-		4,552.23		
Due From Other Funds		1,099,618.66		-	_	1,099,618.66		
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$	2,075,467.95	\$	28,611.41	\$	2,104,079.36		
<u>Liabilities & Fund Equity</u>								
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Accounts Payable	\$	9,086.24	\$	-	\$	9,086.24		
Deferred Revenue		29,467.00		-	_	29,467.00		
Total Liabilities		38,553.24			_	38,553.24		
Fund Equity								
Fund Balances								
- Designated for Future Police Health Care		159,653.18		-		159,653.18		
- Designated for Police Protection		784,582.81		-		784,582.81		
- Designated for Fire Protection		327,240.42		-		327,240.42		
- Unreserved & Undesignated		765,438.30		28,611.41		794,049.71		
Total Fund Balances		2,036,914.71		28,611.41		2,065,526.12		
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$	2,075,467.95	\$	28,611.41	\$	2,104,079.36		

Governmental Funds
Reconciliation of Fund Balances to the
Statement of Net Assets (Deficit)
For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds	\$ 2,065,526.12
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) are different because:	
Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not Financial Resources and are not reported in the Funds	1,651,517.26
Long-Term Bonds Payable are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the Funds	(654,774.15)
Accrued Interest Payable is not reported in the Funds	 (9,762.00)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 3,052,507.23

Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, And Changes in Fund Balances For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

		General		Building		Totals Governmental
Revenues		Fund		Fund	`	Funds
Property Taxes	\$	1,198,082.44	\$		\$	1,198,082.44
State Shared Revenue	_	252,978.00	7	_	-	252,978.00
Charges for Services:		,				,,,,,,,,,
General Government		59,598.34		_		59,598.34
Public Safety		28,331.25		_		28,331.25
Permits & Fees		6,106.25		32,770.72		38,876.97
Grant Proceeds		4,851.94		-		4,851.94
Loan Proceeds		300,000.00		_		300,000.00
Sale of Fixed Assets		30,000.00		-		30,000.00
Interest Earnings		65,609.21		1,090.23		66,699.44
Reimbursements		6,336.12		-		6,336.12
Other Revenues		31,949.40		_		31,949.40
<u>Total Revenues</u>		1,983,842.95		33,860.95		2,017,703.90
Expenditures						
General Government		476,911.28		-		476,911.28
Public Safety		688,897.09		37,671.24		726,568.33
Publics Works		37,639.87		, -		37,639.87
Capital Outlay		467,160.02		_		467,160.02
Debt Service - Principal		114,065.85		_		114,065.85
Debt Service - Interest		18,727.38		_		18,727.38
Total Expenditures		1,803,401.49	_	37,671.24		1,841,072.73
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		180,441.46		(3,810.29)		176,631.17
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Operating Transfers In (Out)		-	_	<u>-</u>		
Net Change in Fund Balances		180,441.46		(3,810.29)		176,631.17
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year		1,856,473.25	_	32,421.70		1,888,894.95
Fund Balances - End of Year	\$	2,036,914.71	\$	28,611.41	\$	2,065,526.12

Governmental Funds
Reconciliation of Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 176,631.17
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental Funds report Capital Outlays as Expenditures; in the Statement of Activities, these costs are capitalized and allocated over their estimated useful lives as Depreciation	467,160.02
Repayment of Bond Principal is an Expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but not in the Statement of Activities (where it reduces Long-Term Debt)	114,065.85
Loan Proceeds are recognized as revenue in the Governmental Funds, but not in the Statement of Activities	(300,000.00)
Gain (Loss) on the Sale of Fixed Assets is recorded in the Statement of Activities when the asset is sold; it is reported as an Expenditure in the year it is purchased and Revenue in the year it is sold for the Governmental Funds.	(117,600.00)
Depreciation is an Expenditure for the Statement of Activities, but is not reported in the Governmental Funds	(81,375.47)
Net Change in Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 258,881.57

Statement of Net Assets (Deficit)
Fiduciary Funds
March 31, 2008

	Fiduciary Fund	
	Agency Fund	
	Current Tax	Totals
	Collection	March 31,
<u>Assets</u>	Fund	2008
Cash - Savings & Certificates	\$ 1,108,515.83	\$ 1,108,515.83
Due From Other Funds	<u> </u>	
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$ 1,108,515.83	\$ 1,108,515.83
Liabilities & Fund Balance		
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Due To General Fund	\$ 1,099,618.66	\$ 1,099,618.66
Due To Others	8,897.17	8,897.17
Total Liabilities	1,108,515.83	1,108,515.83
Fund Balances		
Unreserved & Undesignated		
Total Fund Balances	<u> </u>	
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	\$ 1,108,515.83	\$ 1,108,515.83

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

The accounting methods and procedures adopted by the Township of Metamora, Lapeer County, Michigan, conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental entities. The following notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the Township's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Financial Reporting Entity

The Township of Metamora was incorporated under the laws of the State of Michigan and operates as a General Law Township, with a Township Board form of government. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Township of Metamora (the primary government) and its component units. The component units discussed below are included in the Township reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the Township.

Government-wide and Fund Statements Fund

The Government-wide Financial Statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) and the Statement of Activities) report information on all the nonfiduciary activities of the Township (the primary government). The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function (governmental activities) or identifiable activity (business-type activities) are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Taxes and other revenue items properly excluded from program revenues are reported as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the Government-wide Financial Statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Building Inspection Fund – The fund is setup for the monitoring of Township construction. It is primarily funded through the collection of permits for the various types of construction.

Additionally, the Township reports the following fund types:

Trust & Agency Fund - The Trust & Agency Fund accounts for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, organizations, or other governments.

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The Government-wide Financial Statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual - that is, when they become both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period, generally collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Revenues susceptible to accrual include property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, special assessments, licenses, charges for services, and interest. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the Township. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

Cash - The Township does not pool cash resources of its various funds to facilitate the management of cash. Cash applicable to a particular fund is readily identifiable. The balance in the cash accounts is available to meet current operating requirements. Cash in excess of current requirements is invested in various interest-bearing securities and disclosed as part of the Township's investments.

Investments - Debt securities are valued at cost since it is generally the policy of the Township to hold such investments until they mature.

Due to and Due From Other Funds - Interfund receivables and payables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Property Tax Revenues - Property taxes are levied on December 1 based on the assessed value of property as listed on the previous December 31. Assessed values are an approximation of market value. A revaluation of all real property must be made every year.

Vacation, Sick Leave, & Other Compensated Absences - Vacation days are earned by police department employees at a rate from zero to twenty days per year based on length of service with unused days after a two-year period being forfeited. Sick days are earned by police department employees at a rate of thirteen days per year after the first year of service. The sick days have unlimited accumulation over the term of employment, however, when the employee leaves the department, for any reason, the days are forfeited.

The estimated maximum contingent liability for these benefits (calculated at current pay rates) as of March 31, 2008 is \$96,163.

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include buildings and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental column in the Government-wide Financial Statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Infrastructure 40 years
Buildings & Building Improvements 20 to 40 years
Machinery & Equipment 3 to 10 years

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

Long-Term Obligations - In the Government-wide Financial Statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, issuance costs, and the deferred amount on refunding are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount and deferred amount on refunding. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

Fund Equity - In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Accounting Changes

GASB Statement No. 34 – Effective April 1, 2004, the Township implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments* (GASB No. 34). Changes to the Township's financial statements as a result of GASB No. 34 are as follows:

- A management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) section providing analysis of the Township's overall financial position and results of operations has been included.
- Government-wide Financial Statements (statement of net assets (deficit) and statement of activities) prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Township's activities have been provided.
- Capital assets in the governmental activities column of the statement of net assets (deficit) includes assets not
 previously accounted for by the Township as well as assets previously reported in the General Fixed Assets
 Account Group. In addition, the governmental activities column includes bonds and other long-term
 obligations previously reported in the General Long-term Debt Account Group.
- The fund financial statements focus on major funds rather than fund types.

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Budgetary Information

The Township is legally subject to the budgetary control requirements of State of Michigan P.A. 621 of 1978 (the Uniform Budgeting Act). The following statements represent a brief synopsis of the major provisions of this Act:

- 1. Budgets must be adopted for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds.
- 2. The budgets must be balanced. The balanced budget may include a contribution to or appropriation from fund balance.
- 3. The budgets must be amended when necessary.
- 4. Debt cannot be entered into unless permitted by law.
- 5. Expenditures cannot exceed budget appropriations.
- 6. Expenditures cannot be made unless authorized in the budget.
- 7. Public hearings must be held before budget adoptions.

In the body of the financial statements, the Township actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on a functional basis. The budget is used by the Township Board as a management tool during the year for all budgetary funds. The budgets are adopted on a cash basis, which is not consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary control is exercised at the departmental level. Budgets for the General Fund and the Special Revenue Funds are presented in the required supplemental information.

During the year ended March 31, 2008, the Township incurred expenditures in certain budgetary funds which were in excess of the amounts appropriated, as follows:

	<u> App</u>	Total <u>Appropriations</u>		Amount of Expenditures		Budget <u>Variance</u>	
General Fund							
Capital Outlay	\$	185,812	\$	467,160	\$	281,348	

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

3. Cash and Investments

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the Local Unit to deposit and invest in the accounts of Federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations which have an office in Michigan. The local unit is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Township Board has designated five banks for the deposit of Township funds. There was an investment policy adopted by the Board in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997. The Board has authorized investment in bank accounts and CDs, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed above. The Township's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority and the Township does not have an investment policy. All cash deposits and investments of the Township are held by the Township in the Township's name.

At year end, the deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

		F	iduciary -		Total	
	Governmental Activities		Trust & gency Funds	Primary Government		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 891,566	\$	1,108,516	\$	2,000,082	

The breakdown between deposits and investments is as follows:

	Primary		
	G	overnment	
Bank Deposits (Checking & Savings Accounts, CDs)	\$	2,000,082	

The bank balance of the primary government's deposits is \$2,000,082, of which \$201,901 is covered by federal depository insurance and \$-0- is collateralized with U.S. Treasury securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department in the Township's name.

Custodial Credit Risk of Bank Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. The Township does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At year end, the Township had approximately \$1,798,181 of bank deposits (certificates of deposit, checking, and savings accounts) that were uninsured and uncollateralized. The Township believes that due to the dollar amounts of cash deposits and the limits of FDIC insurance, it is impractical to insure all deposits. As a result, the Township evaluates each financial institution with which it deposits funds and assesses the level of risk of each institution; only those institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

Credit Risk

State law limits investments in commercial paper to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Township's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices.

At year end, the deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

Investment	F	air Value	Rating Organization	
Bank Investment Pools (MBIA)	\$	43,253	AAA-V1	Fitch

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

4. Property Taxes

The Township is responsible for assessing, collecting, and distributing property taxes in accordance with enabling state legislation. Property taxes become a lien on the first day of December of the levy year and may be paid by the following February 14.

The Township levied the following taxes:

Township Operating	1.3732	mills
Police Protection	2.1831	mills
Fire Protection	.9392	mills

5. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity of the Township's governmental activities was as follows:

	Balance oril 1, 2007	 Additions	isposals & ljustments	Ma	Balance arch 31, 2008
Governmental Activities: Capital Assets Not Beind Depreciated Land	\$ 576,050	\$ -	\$ -	\$	576,050
Capital Assets Being Depreciated: Buildings & Improvements Machinery & Equipment - Fire Machinery & Equipment - Police Office Equipment	\$ 331,349 949,096 115,253 1,399	\$ 445,406 21,754	\$ 245,000 - -	\$	331,349 1,149,502 137,007 1,399
Subtotal	1,397,097	467,160	245,000		1,619,257
Accumulated Depreciation: Buildings & Improvements Machinery & Equipment - Fire Machinery & Equipment - Police Office Equipment	 120,857 397,058 70,500 1,399	 10,127 51,035 20,213	 127,400 - -		130,984 320,693 90,713 1,399
Subtotal	 589,814	 81,375	 127,400		543,789
Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated	\$ 807,283	\$ 385,785	\$ 117,600	\$	1,075,468
Net Capital Assets	\$ 1,383,333	\$ 385,785	\$ 117,600	\$	1,651,518

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Government	\$ 2,668
Public Safety	 78,707
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 81,375

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

6. Long -Term Debt

	Interest Rate Ranges	Principal Maturity Ranges	 Beginning Balance	Additions teductions)	Ending Balance	ue Within One Year
Governmental Activities General Obligation Bonds & Contracts						
Land Contract Payable - 20 Acres - Individual						
Amount of Issue - \$539,500		\$57,100 -				
Maturing through June 16, 2010	3.95%	\$18,728	\$ 218,802	\$ (64,066)	\$ 154,736	\$ 66,670
Lapeer County Road Commission - Bond Payable						
Amount of Issue - \$500,000	7.00% -					
Maturing through August 1, 2011	4.15%	\$50,000	\$ 250,000	\$ (50,000)	\$ 200,000	\$ 50,000
2007 Stock Unit Tradition Typhoon HP75 Aerial						
Lapeer County Bank & Trust - Installment Loan						
Amount of Issue - \$300,000		\$25,647 -				
Maturing through August 15, 2008	3.80%	\$34,703	\$ 0	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 30,245
Total Governmental Activities			\$ 468,802	\$ 185,934	\$ 654,736	\$ 146,915

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above governmental bond and contract obligations are as follows:

Years Ending	Governmental Activities							
March 31,	I	Principal		Principal Inte		Interest		Total
2009	\$	146,915	\$	19,619	\$	166,534		
2010		144,950		19,470		164,420		
2011		95,398		13,557		108,955		
2012		77,661		9,529		87,190		
2013		28,707		7,333		36,040		
2014 - 2018		161,105		19,097		180,202		
Total	\$	654,736	s	88,605	\$	743,341		
Total	Ψ	057,750	Ψ	00,005	Ψ	775,541		

7. Interfund Receivables, Payables, & Transfers

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the balance sheet. The amounts of interfund receivables and payables are as follows:

	Due From Other Funds		Due To Other Funds
General Fund	\$ 1,099,619	Trust & Agency Fund	\$ 1,099,619
Total	\$ 1,099,619		\$ 1,099,619

There were no Interfund Transfers reported in the Fund Statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

8. Deferred Compensation Plan

The Township offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with IRC Section 457. The assets of the plan were held in trust, as described in IRC Section 457(g) for the exclusive benefit of the participants and their beneficiaries. The custodian thereof of the exclusive benefit of the participants holds the custodial account for the beneficiaries of this Section 457 plan, and the assets may not be diverted to any other use. The Administrators are agents of the employer for purposes of providing direction to the custodian of the custodial account from time to time for the investment of the funds held in the account, transfer of assets to or from the account and all other matters. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement 32, plan balances and activities are not reflected in the Township's financial statements.

9. Rentals Under Operating Lease

The Township is a lessor of a parcel of land on which cellular telephone radio communications system was constructed, under a non-cancelable operating lease, which expires in 2009. The lease provides for annual rent in the amount of \$14,400. The lease has five renewal options, of which each cover a five-year period with escalating rentals.

The Township entered into separate non-cancelable operating leases with second, third, and fourth parties on the same parcel of land described above. The leases provide for an annual rent as stated below. The lease agreements have five renewal options, of which each covers a five-year period with escalating rentals.

The expiration dates and annual rent are as follows:

Second Lease -	February 2010	\$11,040
Third Lease -	March 2010	\$14,400
Fourth Lease -	April 2011	\$11,040

Future minimum rents receivable under these non-cancelable leases are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending March 31,

2008	\$50,880
2009	50,880
2010	53,760
2011	58,296

10. Deficit Fund Balance or Retained Earnings Balances of Individual Funds

None

11. Risk Management

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, employee injuries, as well as medical and workman's compensation benefits provided to employees. The Township has purchased commercial insurance for the various risks of loss stated above.

Settled claims for the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of coverage in any of the past three years. There was no reduction in coverage's obtained through commercial insurance during the past year.

12. Contingent Liability

The Township is involved in various legal actions arising in the normal course of business. In the opinion of the Township Board, such matters will not have a material effect upon the financial position of the Township.

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

13. Other Post-Employment Benefits

The Township has elected to provide post-employment health benefits to certain retirees. The Township pays the full cost of coverage for these benefits. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Township did not make any payments for post-employment health benefit premiums. The Township obtains health care coverage through private insurers. The Township had an actuarial valuation report completed for the funding purposes of future health care coverage. The actuarial report was prepared under the assumption of having seven employees eligible for post-retirement healthcare benefits. The Township currently has contracted to cover four employees that were hired prior to 1997, but does not anticipate offering post-retirement healthcare to any new employees.

There were no expenditures for postemployment healthcare benefits paid for the year ended March 31, 2008. The Township paid \$159,653 April 7, 2008, to begin the funding process. At December 31, 2006, the date of the most recent actuarial report, assets available for postemployment benefits totaled \$126,244 (included in the \$159,653 reported above). The actuarial accrued liability, determined using the individual entry age actuarial cost method, totaled \$545,520 and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability totaled \$545,520.

Upcoming Reporting Change – The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has recently released Statement Number 45, Accounting and Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions. The new pronouncement provides guidance to local units of government in recognizing the cost of retiree health care, as well as any other postemployment benefits (other than pensions). The new rules will cause the government-wide financial statements to recognize the cost of providing retiree healthcare coverage over the working life of the employee, rather than at the time the healthcare premiums are paid. The new pronouncement is effective for the year ending March 31, 2009.

14. Employee Retirement And Benefit Systems

Plan Description – The Township participates in the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS), an agent multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers eligible employees of the Township. The system provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. MERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system.

Funding Policy – The obligation to contribute to and maintain the system for these employees was established by negotiation with the Township's competitive bargaining units and requires a contribution from the employees of 14.08 percent and 14.08 percent of gross wages for certain Police and Fire employees, respectively.

Annual Pension Cost - For the year ended March 31, 2008, the Township's annual pension cost of \$37,924 for the plan was equal to the required and actual contribution. The Township changed from level B-2 to B-3 for the MERS benefits. The annual required contribution was determined as part of an actuarial valuation at December 31, 2005, using the entry age normal cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions used include: (i) an 8 percent investment rate of return; (ii) projected salary increase of 4.5 percent per year; and (iii) 4.5 percent per year cost of living adjustments. Both determined using techniques that smooth the effects of short-term volatility over a four-year period. The unfunded actuarial liability is being amortized as a level of percent of payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period is 30 years.

Three year trend information as of March 31, 2008 (date of actuaries) follows:

	March 31						
		2005		2004	2003		
Annual Pension Cost	\$	41,400	\$	32,808	\$	26,438	
Percentage of APC Contributed		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Net Pension Obligation		-		-		-	
Actuarial Value of Assets		255,076		205,087		159,373	
Actuarial Accrued Liability		365,825		264,446		210,976	
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability		110,749		59,359		51,603	
Funded Ratio		69.7%		77.6%		75.5%	
Covered Payroll		294,028		274,742		268,679	
UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		37.7%		21.6%		19.2%	

Required Supplemental Information

Required Supplemental Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Original Budget	Amended Actual	Actual	Variance with Amended
<u>-</u> evenues	Budget	Actual	Actual	Budget
General Government				
Property Taxes & Admin Fees	\$ 391,900.00	\$ 391,900.00	\$ 406,299.60	\$ 14,399.60
State Shared Revenue	250,000.00	250,000.00	252,978.00	2,978.00
Licenses, Fees & Permits	27,000.00	27,000.00	6,106.25	(20,893.75)
Leases & Franchise Fees	54,000.00	54,000.00	59,598.34	5,598.34
Interest Earned	30,000.00	30,000.00	38,003.22	8,003.22
Reimbursements	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,336.12	2,336.12
Miscellaneous	21,450.00	21,450.00	24,018.76	2,568.76
Total General Government	778,350.00	778,350.00	793,340.29	14,990.29
Police Protection				
Property Taxes	527,004.00	527,004.00	553,616.41	26,612.41
Fines & Forfeitures	22,863.00	22,863.00	23,846.25	983.25
Grant Proceeds	1,200.00	3,222.00	4,851.94	1,629.94
Interest Earned	1,000.00	8,000.00	18,350.37	10,350.37
Miscellaneous	5,100.00	11,832.00	7,512.59	(4,319.41
Total Police Protection	557,167.00	572,921.00	608,177.56	35,256.56
Fire Prevention				
Property Taxes	224,393.00	224,022.00	238,166.43	14,144.43
Charges for Services	4,000.00	5,098.00	4,485.00	(613.00
Loan Proceeds	-	-	300,000.00	300,000.00
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	30,000.00	30,000.00	-
Interest Earned	-	253.00	9,255.62	9,002.62
Miscellaneous	-		418.05	418.05
Total Fire Prevention	228,393.00	259,373.00	582,325.10	322,952.10
Total Revenues	\$ 1,563,910.00	\$ 1,610,644.00	\$ 1,983,842.95	\$ 373,198.95

Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund - Continued For Year Ended March 31, 2008

		Original Budget		Amended Budget		Actual		Variance with Amended Budget
Expenditures				_				_
Legislative Township Room	¢	11 950 00	¢	12 600 00	¢	12,383.15	¢	216.95
Township Board	\$	11,850.00	\$	12,600.00	\$	12,383.13	\$	216.85
General Government								
Supervisor		37,800.00		39,750.00		38,935.46		814.54
Elections		9,250.00		9,250.00		6,929.55		2,320.45
Professional services		89,300.00		98,300.00		80,520.92		17,779.08
Clerk		74,600.00		74,850.00		72,854.55		1,995.45
Board of Review		1,375.00		1,375.00		1,340.97		34.03
Treasurer		59,675.00		59,675.00		58,897.71		777.29
Township Hall		89,775.00		88,175.00		61,948.54		26,226.46
Cemetery		1,600.00		2,600.00		1,318.00		1,282.00
Insurance & Administration		150,550.00		148,148.00		141,782.43		6,365.57
Total General Government		513,925.00		522,123.00		464,528.13		57,594.87
Public Safety								
Police Protection		530,500.00		546,254.00		478,395.93		67,858.07
Fire Prevention		204,269.00		213,963.00		170,140.97		43,822.03
		*						43,622.03
Emergency Response		12,500.00		12,552.00		12,552.00		-
Street Lighting		2,800.00		2,800.00		2,752.22		47.78
Planning and Zoning		7 000 00		7 000 00		2.050.00		2.040.00
Zoning Department		7,000.00		7,000.00		3,960.00		3,040.00
Planning Commission		14,125.00		14,125.00		3,601.28		10,523.72
Planner		19,000.00		18,000.00		12,494.60		5,505.40
Engineering		10,000.00		10,000.00		2,975.00		7,025.00
Zoning Board of Appeals		4,850.00		4,850.00		2,025.09		2,824.91
Total Public Safety		805,044.00		829,544.00		688,897.09		140,646.91
Highways, Streets, & Bridges		48,500.00		40,500.00		37,639.87		2,860.13
Capital Outlay		42,124.00		185,812.00		467,160.02		(281,348.02)
Debt Service - Principal		114,085.00		114,085.00		114,065.85		19.15
Debt Service - Interest		21,715.00		21,715.00		18,727.38		2,987.62
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<u>Total Expenditures</u>		1,557,243.00		1,726,379.00		1,803,401.49		(77,022.49)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		6,667.00		(115,735.00)		180,441.46		296,176.46
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating Transfers In (Out)								
Excess of Revenues & Operating Transfers In Over (Under) Expenditures & Operating Transfers Out		6,667.00		(115,735.00)		180,441.46		296,176.46
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year		367,410.00		289,296.00		1,856,473.25		1,489,063.25
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$	374,077.00	\$	173,561.00	\$	2,036,914.71	\$	1,785,239.71

Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Building Inspection Fund For Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Original Budget		Amended Budget		Actual		Variance with Amended Budget	
Revenues								
Licenses and Permits	\$	59,900.00	\$	59,900.00	\$	32,770.72	\$	(27,129.28)
Interest		1,500.00		1,500.00		1,090.23		(409.77)
Other Revenue		-		-		-		-
<u>Total Revenues</u>		61,400.00		61,400.00		33,860.95		(27,539.05)
Expenditures								
Administration		2,600.00		2,600.00		1,064.99		1,535.01
Building Inspector		40,050.00		40,050.00		30,029.42		10,020.58
Electrical Inspector		8,250.00		8,250.00		3,186.83		5,063.17
Plumbing Inspector		4,400.00		4,400.00		1,410.00		2,990.00
Mechanical Inspector		6,100.00		6,100.00		1,980.00		4,120.00
<u>Total Expenditures</u>		61,400.00		61,400.00		37,671.24		23,728.76
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		-		-		(3,810.29)		(3,810.29)
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating Transfers In (Out)		-				-		-
Excess of Revenues & Operating Transfers In Over (Under) Expenditures & Operating Transfers Out		-		-		(3,810.29)		(3,810.29)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year		13,385.00		13,385.00		32,421.70		19,036.70
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$	13,385.00	\$	13,385.00	\$	28,611.41	\$	15,226.41

Other Supplemental Information

Other Supplemental Information Schedule of Indebtedness March 31, 2008

Lapeer County Road Commission 100 Tons of Gravel on Local Roads Interest Payable August 1 and February 1

Dated August 1, 2002 Original Issue \$500,000

Interest	 Principal (Mar	Remaining Annual Interest				
Rate	Maturity	 2008		2007	Payable	
4.50%	8/1/2007	\$ -	\$	50,000.00	\$ -	
4.50%	2/1/2008	-		-	-	
4.15%	8/1/2008	50,000.00		50,000.00	4,375.00	
4.15%	2/1/2009	-		-	3,338.00	
4.30%	8/1/2009	50,000.00		50,000.00	3,338.00	
4.30%	2/1/2010	-		-	2,262.00	
4.45%	8/1/2010	50,000.00		50,000.00	2,262.00	
4.45%	2/1/2011	-		-	1,150.00	
4.60%	8/1/2011	 50,000.00		50,000.00	1,150.00	
Total Notes Payable		\$ 200,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$ 17,875.00	

Installment Loan - Lapeer County Bank & Trust 2007 Stock Unit Tradition Typhoon HP75 Aerial

Dated February 14, 2008 Original Issue \$300,000

	Date		Principal Outstanding				
Interest	of		Mar	Anı	nual Interest		
Rate	Maturity	<u></u>	2008		2007		Payable
3.80%	8/15/2008	\$	30,245.16	\$	-	\$	5,795.00
3.80%	8/15/2009		25,647.11		-		10,393.05
3.80%	8/15/2010		26,635.23		-		9,404.93
3.80%	8/15/2011		27,661.43		-		8,378.73
3.80%	8/15/2012		28,707.13		-		7,333.03
3.80%	8/15/2013		29,833.18		-		6,206.98
3.80%	8/15/2014		30,982.59		-		5,057.57
3.80%	8/15/2015		32,176.28		-		3,863.88
3.80%	8/15/2016		33,408.77		-		2,631.39
3.80%	8/15/2017		34,703.12		-		1,337.03
Total General Obligation Bor	<u>nds</u>	\$	300,000.00	\$	-	\$	60,401.59

Land Contract Payable - Oxford Bank 20 Acres Joining Existing Township Property Dated June 16, 2000 Original Issue \$539,500

Interest	Contract Due For The Year	Principal (Mare	Outstar ch 31.	nding	Anı	nual Interest		
Rate	Ending	2008		2007		Payable		
3.95%	6/16/2007	\$ -	\$	64,066.00	\$	-		
3.95%	6/16/2008	66,670.00		66,670.00		6,111.00		
3.95%	6/16/2009	69,303.00		69,303.00		3,477.00		
3.95%	6/16/2010	 18,763.20		18,763.00		740.00		
Total Installment Purchase C	Contract Payable	\$ 154,736.20	\$	218,802.00	\$	10,328.00		
Total General Obligation E	Sonds & Contracts	\$ 654,736.20	\$	468,802.00	\$	88,604.59		

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May 21, 2008

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To Members of the Board:

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Metamora for the year ended March 31, 2008, and have issued my report thereon dated May 13, 2008. Professional standards require that I provide you with the following information related to my audit.

My Responsibility under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

As stated in my engagement letter dated September 25, 2007, my responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to express opinions about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. My audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

I performed the audit according to the planned scope and timing previously communicated to you.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of my engagement letter, I will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by the Township of Metamora are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ending March 31, 2008. I noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. There are no significant transactions that have been recognized in the financial statements in a different period than when the transaction occurred.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

I encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing my audit.

Audit Adjustments (Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements)

Professional standards require me to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to my satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. I am pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of my audit.

Management Representations

I have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated May 21, 2008.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with me to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To my knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

I generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of my professional relationship and my responses were not a condition to my retention.

Communication of Significant Deficiencies and Material Weaknesses

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, I considered the Township of Metamora's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the governmental unit's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the governmental unit's internal control.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies that I consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. I considered the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies in internal control:

Preparation of Financial Statements - Management prepares internal financial information to assess operations and the financial position of the Township of Metamora on an ongoing basis. Although the internal financial information is sufficient to operate the Township, it is not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Township contracts with me, the auditor, to draft the financial statements, including all necessary notes, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, since it does not retain staffing that currently have the expertise. I believe this meets the definition of a material weakness under *Statement on Auditing Standards 112*.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or a combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. The AICPA Auditing Standards Board issued Statements on Audit Standards (SAS) 112 which establishes standards and provides guidance on communicating matters related to an entity's internal control over financial reporting and is effective for periods ending after December 15, 2006. According to SAS 112, it is considered to be a control deficiency if a client I am auditing has ineffective controls over the preparation of their financial statements such that client controls are absent or controls are not effective in preventing or detecting material misstatements in the preparation of the financial statements, including the related footnotes.

Accrual Adjustments – During the audit, I generally provide significant assistance in identifying and posting accrual adjustments to the accounting records. Accruals represent any adjustments other than cash that impact the accounting records. I bring this to your attention since it meets the above definition on a matter to be communicated.

Segregation of Duties - The relative size of the Township of Metamora limits the extent to which the officials can segregate duties and responsibilities which impairs the basic premise that no one individual should have access to both the physical assets and the related accounting records (or all recording tasks of a transaction from inception to completion).

The Township has implemented mitigating controls to strengthen internal controls and the segregation of duties; however, it must be recognized that the risk of intentional or unintentional errors could be made and not detected in a timely manner.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Metamora Township's internal control.

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, I believe the significant deficiencies described above to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Metamora Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of the Township of Metamora, and Federal and State agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Lehn L. King

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Certified Public Accountant